

Application No. 09/967,302
Amendment dated 01 March 2004
Reply to Office Action dated 31 October 2003

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks in connection with the above-referenced patent application. Reconsideration of the instant application is respectfully requested.

After entry of the within amendment, ten (10) claims remain pending in the instant application, being claims numbered 9 and 24-32. Claim numbered 24 has been withdrawn as being drawn to a non-elected invention. Claim 9 is the sole independent pending claim presently under consideration. Claims 25-32 have been added herein, and present no new subject matter.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claim 9 presents allowable subject matter. Applicants have herein amended claim 9 to recite the necessary limitations of claim 1 (upon which claim 9 depends) *sans* the recitation of specific material choices for the biaxially oriented films and the adhesive material. Applicants respectfully submit that these material choices are not necessary to present an allowable claim 9.

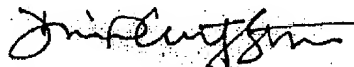
Applicants have, however, herein added new dependent claims 25-27 wherein such material choices are more specifically set forth with respect to the biaxially oriented films and the adhesive material.

Remaining dependant claims 28-32 depend from and include the limitations of claim 9, and are thus allowable as presented herein.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 9 and 25-32 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request the Examiner to pass said claims 9 and 25-32 on to issue. Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the above, or believe that issues remain in the case, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to contact their undersigned counsel, who may be reached by telephone to 513.248.6208.

Respectfully submitted,

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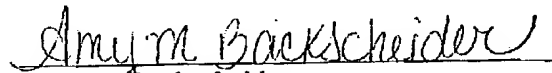
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